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Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates

Report of the Secretary-General

1. In the first performance report (A/53/693), attention was drawn to the outstanding revised estimates and statements of programme budget implications for which the Fifth Committee had yet to take action. In accordance with established practice, these had not been taken into account in the recosting of the programme budget for 1998–1999. It was indicated in paragraph 8 of the Secretary-General's report that, once the Fifth Committee had approved these items at initial rates, they would be recosted within the approved costing parameters utilized in the first performance report. Accordingly, the formerly outstanding items have now been recosted, as a result of which overall requirements for relevant sections of the programme budget affected would be as follows:

Section		*Thousands of United States dollars*
1A	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination	(5.5)
3	Peacekeeping operations and special missions	(182.9)
22	Human rights	(2.1)
27	Administrative services	10.8
32	Staff assessment	(15.8)
	Total	**(195.5)**

2. The Fifth Committee may wish to note this recosting and to reflect the related adjustments in the revised appropriation for the biennium 1998–1999 to be recommended to the General Assembly.

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